



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 30, 2006

H.R. 2134

Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community Act of 2005

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources
on June 21, 2006*

H.R. 2134 would establish a commission to develop a plan for establishing and maintaining a National Museum of the American Latino Community in Washington, D.C. Under the bill, the 23-member commission would report its recommendations on the museum to the Congress within 18 months of the legislation's enactment. For the purpose of carrying out the commission's responsibilities, the bill would authorize the appropriation of \$2.1 million for 2006 and \$1.1 million for 2007.

Based on information provided by the National Park Service and assuming appropriation of the amounts authorized for 2007, CBO estimates that the federal government would spend about \$1 million over the next two years to establish the commission and to develop a plan for the proposed museum. (For this estimate, CBO assumes that no additional funds would be provided for this purpose in 2006.) Most of this amount would be spent for feasibility studies and other research. We estimate that enacting H.R. 2134 would have no effect on revenues or direct spending.

H.R. 2134 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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